

## Message Text

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DRAFTED BY EUR/EE:NGANDREWS/LVA  
APPROVED BY EUR/EE:NGANDREWS  
ICA:YRICHMOND  
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R 212300Z MAY 78  
FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY WARSAW  
AMEMBASSY BUDAPEST  
AMEMBASSY BELGRADE

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: BEXP, SCUL

SUBJECT: VISIT BY STATE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

REF: PRAGUE 1076 (NOTAL)

1. UNFORTUNATELY, WE CANNOT PROVIDE ANY USEFUL INFORMATION CONCERNING THE EXPERIENCE OF THE COUNCIL OF STATE GOVERNMENTS (CSG) IN PROMOTING TRADE AND CULTURAL EXCHANGES. ON THE BASIS OF THE MARCH 16 MEETING WHICH EUR/EE HAD WITH ALAN SOKOLOW, DIRECTOR OF THE EASTERN OFFICE OF THE CSG, AND JOHN H. RADZYMSKI, DIRECTOR OF THE POLISH NATIONAL ALLIANCE WHO DOES PUBLIC RELATIONS FOR UNITED STEELWORKERS OF AMERICA OUT OF A PITTSBURGH OFFICE, THERE IS CONSIDERABLE ENTHUSIASM AND HOPE ABOUT SUCH A TRIP BUT LITTLE REAL EXPERIENCE. THEIR PRIMARY AIM SEEMS TO BE TO STIMULATE INTEREST IN MORE TRADE AND EXCHANGES, ESPECIALLY WITH THE ECONOMICALLY DEPRESSED NORTHEASTERN STATES, TO OPEN SOME  
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DOORS AND TO MAKE SOME USEFUL CONTACTS.

2. SOKOLOW ALSO SAW YALE RICHMOND TO INQUIRE ABOUT POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE WITH FUNDING. RICHMOND SAID THAT IF HE WERE TO BECOME INVOLVED WITH FUNDING A CSG GROUP, IT WOULD HAVE TO BE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE NATION RATHER THAN OF A PARTICULAR REGION.

3. THE LEVEL OF KNOWLEDGE OF EASTERN EUROPE OF PARTICIPATING STATE LEGISLATORS AND THEIR STAFF CAN BE EXPECTED TO VARY CONSIDERABLY, BUT IT WILL NOT BE EXPERT. BASIC BRIEFINGS ON THE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC SITUATION, TRADE PROSPECTS AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE ACTIVITIES WILL BE NEEDED, BUT IT IS NOT YET CLEAR HOW AND WHERE THIS WILL BE DONE. WE ANTICIPATE WE WILL BE HEARING AGAIN FROM SOKOLOW WHEN HE HAS A CLEARER IDEA OF HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE INTERESTED AND COMMITTED TO GOING ON THIS TRIP NEXT FALL. VANCE

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